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U.S. Support for Israeli War Aims Wanes

• According to pollster it's a landslide: Americans oppose war against Iran

> President Obama should look hard at these poll results and do the bidding of the American people, not Israel.

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Contrary to what propagandists for Israel in the controlled media would have you believe, most Americans would not support Israel if it attacks Iran. The results of a recent poll by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press left supporters of Israel a little bit uneasy.

While Israel's supporters loudly claim "most Americans" are firmly in Israel's corner, Pew found to the contrary that 51 percent of Americans believe the U.S. should stay neutral in a conflict between Israel and Iran and that an additional 5 percent said the U.S. should oppose Israel outright. Fully 56 percent of Americans effectively stand against Israel's war fever. In an election, that would be called a landslide.

Another 4 percent polled didn't know where they stood. Only 39 percent would support Israel — and that's about the percentage of the vote Barry Goldwater won in his historic lopsided loss in the 1964 election.

The poll found 65 percent of those between the ages of 18 to 29 — those who end up fighting the wars — overwhelmingly supported U.S. neutrality. Seven percent of them said the U.S. should oppose Israel.

Fully 71 percent of Republicans said the United States should support Israel. In stark contrast, only 31 percent of liberal Democrats would side with Israel, with 54 percent of them saying the U.S. should remain neutral.

These poll results demonstrate the bankruptcy of the modern-day GOP, which once stood in favor of traditional American non-intervention in foreign conflicts, a philosophy first laid down by George Washington in his Farewell Address.

What is additionally interesting about the poll is the manner in which it was reported — or not reported — by the major press.

First of all, although most Pew polls — especially on controversial issues — are generally given a modicum of publicity throughout the mass media, this poll was largely ignored by big media.

To the extent the media did mention the poll, those reports focused on the aspect of the poll finding that most Americans opposed Iranian acquisition of nuclear weapons, often ignoring altogether the point that the poll found, as noted above, that Americans did not believe the U.S. should support Israel's agenda for war.

Despite public opposition to war, *The New York Times* reported March 19 that "in the standoff with Iran, it is the hawkish groups supporting military action that wield more money, political clout and high-profile names than do the advocates of a diplomatic solution. In all, pro-Israeli political action committees and donors affiliated with them have given more than $47 million directly to federal candidates since 2000, [and] they rank among the top contributors to a number of prominent Democrats and Republicans."

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